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DEPUTIES MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell (part of meeting), Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory (part of meeting), General Truscott, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Sheldon, Dr. Kent, [redacted]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Noted that for some time he had been concerned as to whether significant items contained in CIA cable disseminations reached the attention of the "brass" in the intelligence community. He said a case in point was the cable just received setting forth the results of a conversation between [redacted]. He commented that he realized that each intelligence agency must have some means of screening cables, dispatches, etc., as is done for him, but nevertheless, he believed it would be helpful if some method could be devised to point up outstanding intelligence information contained in CIA disseminations. It was agreed that this would have to be held to a minimum in order to prevent the receivers from considering those disseminations not so marked as run-of-the-mill. *action COP + AO/et*

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ACTION: Messrs. Helms and Sheldon will provide the Director with recommendations as to how this procedure can be accomplished.

b. Asked if there was available to the Agency a list of experts on [redacted] -- particularly, if such a list does exist, would it include people outside CIA. He said he felt it was most necessary that we have such a list not only pertaining to [redacted] but to other areas of the world in order that we can seek the assistance of these experts in times of crisis.

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ACTION: Mr. Kirkpatrick will determine the availability of listed experts on areas of the world, using [redacted] as an example.

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MR. AMORY:

Reported that he had just returned from a most informative briefing in [redacted] of the "read out" system and commented that another briefing

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on this subject will be held on 11 May. He said that a KC-135 had been set up to provide transportation and the trip will be accomplished in one day. He noted that this briefing will be of interest to the Director, DDCI, DD/P and others and suggested that they might wish to attend -- arrangements can be made through [REDACTED]

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MR. LLOYD:

Reported that he had circulated for answers questions raised by members of the House Appropriations Subcommittee at its meeting with the DCI and others on 29 April 1959, and asked whether the Director had had an opportunity to consider Question 10 -- finding some way for CIA to keep this Subcommittee and others in Congress "needing to know" posted on developments in the intelligence field. The Director said that he had and had about come to the conclusion that we should accomplish this by offering to brief the committees any time at their request. Mr. Amory referred to a previous discussion on this problem and asked if the Director had ruled out furnishing the staffs of these committees with a copy of the Weekly. The Director commented that, in his opinion, this would be too routine and furthermore, there is always the problem of the committees having adequate means of securely filing classified documents. No decision was made but it was the consensus that briefings at the committees' request, or on our initiative, would be the best solution to this problem.

MR. KIRKPATRICK:

Reported that [REDACTED] had threatened to commit suicide and, in fact, had so informed some members of Congress. He said that John Warner had discussed this matter with Congressman Judd. The Director asked if we had a prepared statement in case of any such eventuality. Mr. Kirkpatrick indicated that we did.



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